BOURNEUNDERPROD **ACTS UPON DRAWS**

Amendment Adopted by Senate Committee May Give Desired Relief.

REFUTE SENATOR'S DENIAL

Joseph Buchtel Tells How Urgent Necessity for Provision Was Explained to Him at Meeting With Business Men.

TEXT OF PROPOSED AMEND-

The following amendment to the rivers and harbors bill, introduced in the United States Senate and which was approved by the committee, after Senator Bourne had been animated to action through advices from political friends here, may offer the long-leoked for relief on the draw-clos-

Thus the Secretary of War be and "That the secretary of War be and is hereby authorized and directed to keep the bridges across the Willamette River within the corporate limits of Portland closed during such times as the Common Council may hereafter, by ordinance, prescribe, between the hours of 6 and 8 o'clock A. M. and 5:30 and 6:30 o'clock

Refuting the statement credited to Senator Bourne, contained in Washington dispatches of yesterday, in which sought to excuse his neglect to secure closed drawbridges during rush hours, morning and evening, across the Willamette River by saying that the subject never had been called to his attention, Joseph Buchtel, a prominent East Side business man, declared last night that he himself had called the subject to the attention of Bourne and subject to the attention of Bourne and particularly had impressed the impurtance of the question on Senator Chamberlain. In Bourne's statement he took occasion to defend his colleague also, saying that neither himself nor Chamberlain had "received word from the city authorities or any commercial organization or individual" shout the necessity of the bridges being closed to water traffic during the rush hours. rush hours.

Both Senators Informed.

Mr. Buchtel is chairman of the standing drawbridge committee of the East Side Improvement Association. Dur-ing the past six or seven years he has been agitating the question of closing

"The last time Senator Bourne and Senator Chamberlain were here—I be-lieve it was this year," said Mr. Buch-tsi, "it was called to their attention. At that time the question was being considered by the War Department. I

considered by the War Department. I told them we were very anxious and believed it to be one of the most important public questions to the people of the East Side."

This conversation took place in the offices of Judge M. G. Munly in the Wells-Fargo building, there being a conference in progress between the two Senators and representatives of East Side commercial organizations over the Broadway bridge question, according to Mr. Buchtel.

"The Broadway bridge was the principal topic of conversation," said Mr. Buchtel. "I was very anxious, however, about the draw question, and called it to their attention. Senator Chamberlain evidenced real concern in

called it to their attention. Senator Chamberlain evidenced real concern in it, as I thought, and we discussed it some time. He promised to help us and questioned me at some length. So far as I have been able to learn, nothing was done by either."

Bourne's open criticism of the city authorities and the various commercial organizations of the city was strongly resented yesterday. That he does not understand the local situation on this question at least, was said generally.

Movement Is Not New.

For the past six or seven years, it was said, the closing of the bridges during rush hours has been urged before the War Department. The last attempt was made by East Side organizations through Mayor Simon, who took it up with Major McIndoe, United States engineer here. He transmitted the request to the Secretary of War, but owing to the fact that none of the the request to the Secretary of War, but owing to the fact that none of the members of the Oregon Congressional delegation appeared to insist upon the granting of the petition it was refused. It remained for Senator Lodge of Massachusetts to find a way out. He introduced an amendment to the rivers and harbors bill, providing for the arbitrary closing of the draws across the Charles River and Fort Point Channel in Boston during rush hours, morning in Boston during rush hours, morning and evening. This amendment was apand evening. This amendment was approved by the Senate commerce committee, of which Bourne is a member, though nothing was done by him to give Portland similar relief. Later, on urgent advices from Portland, he introduced an amendment leaving the regulation of the draws with the City Council, though limiting it to one hour in the afternoon and two in the morning. This was approved by the committee vesterday. mittee yesterday.

The rivers and harbors bill probably will be returned to the House in its amended form the first of next week. To assist Oregon's representatives in keeping the amendment intact, a telegram was sent yesterday to the full Congressional delegation by the East Side Improvement Association, urging the necessity for action.

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The telegram was as follows:

At a meeting of the committee appointed of the East Side improvement Association in the East Side improvement Association of the Britan in the Committee appointed of Portland, to secure the clusting of the Britan in the Committee during the rush hours of the day, it is decided to ask the Oregon Congression. It delegation to take active stops to secure and regulations. In support of this request attention is called to the fact that fortilated now has a population of more than 00,000 people, including the suburbs many of whom are dependent on these bridges or reach their places of business and employment, but who, under present circumtances, are subject to constant delays and neonveniences. In view of this condition he association adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas, There is constant delay experi-

The reason for the non-participation in the campaign by the Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club has been explained. This resulted, it was explained by President MacMaster of the Chamber of Commerce, from the fact that the East Side commercial organizations had the subject up and the Chamber of Commerce, though an organization for the whole city, did not feel like taking part except on invitation. The same position was taken by President Beckwith, of the Commercial Club. The reason for the non-participation

M'CLEOD MAKES CHARGES

Discharged Carpenter Accuses Beach and Jones of Misappropriation.

Investigation was undertaken yesterday by the grand jury into the complaint made by Alex McCleod, a discharged employe of the School Board, who accuses J. V. Beach, director, and T. J. Jones, architect, with misappropriating school funds. McCleod maintained that he and other employes were allowed to perform carpenter and other work at the homes of Mr. Beach and Mr. Jones and that the of Mr. Beach and Mr. Jones and that the School Board had been charged with this personal expense. The accusations of McCleod have not yet developed any serious evidence against the accused school officials and the impression has become current that McCleod's action is actuated by spite. A number of witnesses were summoned yesterday before the jury. Among these were Peter Hobkirk and D. C. McDonnid, contractors; Mrs. Emima White, a neighbor of Mr. Jones; A. C. Campbell, school director, and C. Hanson and Joseph S. Nicholson, carpenters.

FLY'S CAREER SEEN ON FILM

Object Lesson Portrayed by Machine at Arcade Theater.

The career of a typical little house fly was graphically outlined at the Arcade Theater yesterday in a new film. A private exhibition of the film was first given to members of the medical profession at the Bijou Theater.

From its birth to its untimely death the creature is shown imbibing poison, carrying putridity and discharging its load of poison germs thus acquired upon the nippie of a baby's feeding bottle, in readiness to infect the feeding child with some terrible disease. The fly is shown feeding on diseased meat, exhibited as it atticks its tentacic into grease, dirt and everything that is unwholesome. All in all, the film is an object-lesson to those who advocate wholesale destruction of the common fly. The film will be exhibited for the balance of this week.

WAGON ROAD GRANT LANDS TO BE SOLD

Inspection of Property Finished and Favorable Report Is Made.

TRACTS TO BE AS DESIRED

Sale of Approximately 790,000 Acres Will Go Forward at Once and Immense Colonization Is Expected to Follow.

According to C. E. S. Wood, W. P. Davidson and John E. Burchard, the Minnesota capitalists, have definitely decided to recommend to their associates that the land property of the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company be purchased. Mr. Burchard left yesterday for St. Paul.

It was officially given out yesterday that if the sale of the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Road Company land grant goes through, active operations may be expected in 30 days. To accom-

may be expected in 30 days. To accomplish this the land will be sold, it was said. In tracts of any size, so any purchaser may obtain just the kind and amount of land he wants.

The final details of the scheme have yet to be worked out but it is said land offices will be opened at Ontario, Burns, Vale, Prineville, Foster, Sweet Home, Albany, Riley and Sisters, all of which towns are situated on the land involved. The centers of operation will be Portland. St. Paul, Minneapolis, San Francisco, Winnipeg and Chicago.

onstruction to that section.

Before the lands can be put on the arket they will have to be carefully elected, surveyed and graded. While the

wagon road grant naturally comprised the finest sections in the district which the road traversed, there is considerable diversity in its quality. A large area is timbered, there is a tremendous acreage of wheat land and much is suitable for

There is irrigable land in the Malheur, Crook and Deschutes valleys, natural cereal land in the rolling country of Silver Creek and an acreage for wheat which is thought to be able to produce more than is at present the output of Oregon and Washington. Four billion of feet of timber is believed to be comprised in the timber lands.

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That there was any litigation pending between the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Road Company and settlers was denied yesterday by C. E. S. Wood, who at the same time wished to correct the impression that the land grant is upon condition that sales be made to bonadide settlers at a fixed price. Discussing the history of the grant yesterday, Mr. Wood said:

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The land grant was made to the State of Oregon by the United States by act of Congress in 1805, upon the sole condition that a wagon road be constructed across the Cascade Mountains from near Albany and across the state to its eastern boundary, the Snake River, via Harney Valley. The evidence of construction of the road was to be the certificate of the Governor of Oregon and Governors Woods and Chadwick, respectively, certified that the road had been constructed.

Upon these certificates the present owners bought the land and when, in Cleveland's second administration, a suit to forfeit the grant was brought by the Attorney-General on the ground that the road had never been properly constructed, the Circuit Court for the District of Gregon, commencing with Judge Deady and ending with Judge Glibert, decided that in fact the road had been built sufficiently well according to the rusged and pioneer custom of the country and also decided that it was immaterial whether the road had actually been constructed according to the terms of the grant or not because the granting act of Congress itself made the Governors' certificates conclusive evidence upon this point, and that purchasers had a right to rely on these certificates, and that, therefore, the present owners were bonn fide purchasers for value.

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These contentions, on appeal, were upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States and since that time the present owners have held the title absolutely and without any condition or restriction whatever. There is no condition that they shall sell to any one, or at any price. In fact, there is no condition whatever and they own the property as fully and perfectly as any man owns the fee simple right to his farm.

The original grant was from the United States to the State of Oregon. The State of Oregon then granted its rights to the Williamette Valley & Cascade Mountain Wagon Road Company, which sold to the present owners, although there have been several conveyances of title among themselves.

Very Little of Grant Sold.

SEXTET OF CHILD ACTORS FULL OF LIFE BOTH ON AND OFF STAGE

Youngsters Who Appear in "The Red Mill" Are Happy Group and Spend Much Time at Outdoor Sports-Four Are Children of Company's Wardrobe Mistress.



SEXTET OF CHILD SINGERS IN THE RED MILL." READING FROM LEFT TO RIGHT-JACK AND THOMAS HARRINGTON, CLARENCE JOHNSON, BEATA HARRINGTON, ELIZABETH JOHNSON AND NORINE HARRINGTON.

ERHLY Mrs. Mary Harrington, wardrobe mistress with "The Red Mill" company is a modern "old woman who lived in a shoe." Only in this instance she isn't old at all. Quite the contrary, in fact. But this interview isn't about Mrs. Harrington, and I mention her'only incidentally as the maternal relative of four of the busiest children who ever donned wooden shoes and shricked "Just because you-r-e y-o-u" behind the footlights.

There's a sextet of them this week at the Baker Theater. Mrs. Harrington's

he Baker Theater. Mrs. Harrington's contribution to the number consists of Norine, Beata, Thomas and Jack. The other two are Elizabeth and Clarence Johnson, "children of a lady friend of explains the soft-voiced caretaker

of the flock.
"You see I'm a widow," she continued in brief, and it seemed a softly defiant explanation. "I live in New York City, where all the companies are sent out from, and while I have always been an actress myself any position of that sort now would necessarily separate me from my children. I can't sew or teach as many women do and so when I had this many women do and so when I had this

as girls. "Because we're the littlest," sited Jack in explanation.

It was nearly time for the bevy to waddle on to the stage and sing their inimitably funny little song, so I interviewed them in their dressing room. They knew nothing about the moral uplift of the drama, had no word to say of the social conditions of the stage today, hadn't heard of "Chanticleer," Bernard Shaw or Shakespeare. They were a herd of healthy little animals standing excitedly, at a long table, fighting for a chance at the mirrors and scrapping over the powder-puff. Fascinated, I watched small fingers liberally smear rouge into plump baby cheeks and gently rub it into a natural bloom.

"Yeh see," said Clarence, a small lad with phonographic ability to talk on forever, "I get mine on quickest, because I m not so partickler so it's on good. But the cowhoys before brexias," he con-

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And indeed they looked it. From Norine, tall and slender for her is years, down to roly-poly Jack, the baby, not yet is, they radiated health and activity. Because of their varying sizes and features, it woof the girls, Beata and Norine, make up as boys and Jack and Clarence appear.

The phonographic Clarence, ciad also line of arrive it and the cent and above the form to Jack. That gentleman, claid in girl's regalla, nedded a vigorous astone of the any seemet unconsciousness, a be-flowered to my children. That it is done of virtue and a narrow blue skirt, was insecurely perched atop of a high stool, his fat legs braced to histen montal the important of a high stool, his fat legs braced to have a map of a high stool, his fat legs braced to have a map of a high stool, his fat legs braced to have a map of a high stool, his fat legs braced to have a map of a high stool, his fat legs braced to have a map of a high stool, his fat legs braced to have a map of a high stool

I'm not so partickler so it's on good. But Jack, why he won't go on lesson' he's into cowboys before brexfas," he cor cluded.

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finally amounted to \$65,000 acres, of which, from the time of the original grant (1865) about 75,000 acres has been sold, leaving in round numbers about 790,000 acres and no timber has ever been sold.

The pelley of the owners of the grant in refusing to make sales has sometimes been criticised, but in the first place nobody really desirous of making a home has ever been refused a location if it could not be found on the Government sections. In the second place, the owners have paid many thousands of dollars every year into the state treasury as taxes and the natural demands for schools, churches, lodges, cometeries, etc., have been met by donation. Wherever a townsite was demanded, it has been created and the lots freely offered for sale. The wisdom of holding the grant intact is now demonstrated from the fact that every buyer who has investigated the grant has made it a determining point to know whether the grant has been skimmed off or depicted of its best property.

GOODWIN MAY BE CLEARED

District Attorney's Office Lenient With Son of Wealthy Easterner.

John W. Goodwin, the son of the wealthy Philadelphia shoe dealer, who was arrested in Portland Tuesday on the charge of forging an order for an automobile upon a local garage, was released

mobile upon a local garage, was released yesterday upon his own recognizance by recommendation of Deputy District Attorney Hennessy. The youth was placed in the custody of C. H. King, of the Keats Auto Company.

According to the investigations made by Mr. Hennessy, the case against Goodwin is not so flagrant as was at first supposed. The youth represents that as salesman for the garage of Harry Twitchell he had the authority to take cars out and in the absence of Mr. Twitchell gave an order to the watchman, believing it would be regarded as within his authority.

After having the car out for two hours he met with an accident and slightly damaged it. Mr. Hennessy says that Mr. Twitchell has been trying to force the youth into paying \$500 damages on the machine and that an expert mechanic who examined it offered to fix it for \$15. In view of this phase of the case, said Mr. Hennessy, he was disinclined to regard the case awainst Goodwin as serious. gard the case against Goodwin as serious. The case will be brought up later in the Municipal Court.

BIG FILL WILL BE MADE

Stagnant Pool, Long Menace to Health, to Be Abated.

The Pacific Bridge Company is prepar-ing to make the big fill on East Ninth, between Belmont and East Morrison

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